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The Federal Government has been much too harsh on Microsoft. In the first place there never was a monopoly on Microsoft's part. Everyone knows that anyone can and does write software. Nobody has or ever will have a monopoly on writing software. So there was no monopoly and the case should have been dismissed at that point. We who have invested our life savings in a very fine company like Microsoft now see the government destroying everything that we have worked so hard for. Every time lawyers and judges destroy investor confidence by actions such as this our economy our nation our investor spirit is weakened. It is small wonder that our economy is in such bad shape. Every time we consider investing in a particular company we become fearful of what the government may do to a fine company. We are supposed to be a free country. Microsoft certainly followed all the laws. So why punish them? Which companies are we to invest in if not fine companies like Microsoft? It sounds so much like the Democrats. Wait for someone to do well. Then become jealous and ask the government to destroy the company that you are jealous of.